

certainly from a definite locality *, Simon's example being quoted merely as South American.

It appears to me highly probable that this spider—*Citharoscetus Kochii*—is specifically identical with that which Koch described and figured as *Mygale rosea*, Walck.; but *Mygale rosea* of Walckenaer is, according to Simon, quite another species, and has been made the type of the genus *Phryxotrichus*.

PROCEEDINGS OF LEARNED SOCIETIES.

GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

February 1st, 1899.—W. Whitaker, B.A., F.R.S.,
President, in the Chair.

The following communication was read:—

‘On Radiolaria in Chert from Chypon’s Farm, Mullion District (Cornwall).’ By Dr. G. J. Hinde, F.R.S., F.G.S.

This paper describes the discovery of a bed of chert on the mainland, similar to that already described from Mullion Island. It was found in 1877 by Mr. Howard Fox at Chypon’s Farm. Although detached blocks had been noticed in the fields, the rock had not been previously observed *in situ*. The chert is interbedded with clay-slates, and it is a dark massive rock much traversed by quartz-veins; in some parts of it the radiolaria are preserved in an unusually perfect condition, showing their latticed structure and spines very distinctly. The radiolaria for the most part are casts only, without any definite bounding-walls, their outlines being indicated by the dark material of the groundmass, while the interior of the test has been infilled with clear silica, sometimes the cryptocrystalline variety, at others fibrous chalcedony. In the forms showing the structural details, these alone have been replaced by the opaque substance, and are thus clearly defined against the clear silica infilling the test. Eleven species are described, of which ten are new, while one has been previously recognized in the cherts of New South Wales.

MISCELLANEOUS.

S.E. Union of Scientific Societies.

WE are informed by the Hon. General Secretary that the date of the next Congress of the above, which will be held at Rochester, has had to be altered to May 25th, 26th, and 27th, to suit the convenience of the local Society.

* In the ‘Biol. Centr.-Americana,’ Arachnida Araneida, vol. ii. p. 23, Mr. F. Cambridge erroneously states that these specimens were from Peru.